

War in Europe.

Another European war! What intellect can adequately gauge the import of these terrible words? Ten millions armed to the teeth. And such armor! War with all the modern improvements will be more like an earthquake, a collision of planets, the crash of worlds. There was once war in Heaven. It will be more like that. It is just twenty years since men asserted that the age of war had passed, that Europe was at last to enter on a millennium, during which armaments would be abandoned and fleets allowed to rot in quiet. But in no period of the world's history has equal progress been made in the science of warfare, whether by sea or by land. Within that short period the number of regular soldiers has been nearly quadrupled; the standard of idea for an efficient army has risen from one hundred thousand to half a million of men, and all Continental nations except Russia and Spain have accepted the proposition that for a nation to be safe every man within it must be a possible soldier. The railway and the telegraph have but made armies vaster, attack more swift, battles more cruelly decisive; the spread of intelligence has but made it easier to rouse nations, the diffusion of comfort has but increased the readiness to protect that comfort by the sword. All Europe has been organizing for battle, and the next European war must be to all past wars what the shock of planets or moons in collision is to that of human artillery. That greatest of earthly calamities—general European war—may possibly yet be averted. Merciful God, grant that it may! Let every lover of his race devoutly pray and labor for such happy deliverance. A terrible conflict seems, however, to be bursting on the banks of the Rhine. It is, of course, impossible to say what may be in store for the other nations. War has been declared between the two most military powers of Europe, and the first cannot fire on the Rhine must produce the greatest consternation felt since 1815. Men will cling to the possibility of European war being averted; but should friendly intervention fail to bring about a cessation of hostilities between France and Prussia, we confess it is difficult to see how the other Great Powers can well avoid being drawn within the fatal vortex of that terrible maelstrom which is even now yawning on the Rhine. The prospect is not a pleasant one to contemplate; and for it one man, the Emperor of the French, would appear to be mainly responsible. He has tauntingly dragged his coat-tails in the dirt, and William I. has not hesitated to trample on them. It is useless to disguise the fact that France has eagerly desired war—above all, war with Prussia—and that recent events are seized upon as a pretext. That the matter is so regarded in Europe our dispatches clearly prove; but how far the nations will be guided by a sense of right remains to be seen. France has long chafed under the restraint imposed on her by that strange thing called the 'Balance of Power.' Frenchmen care for the grandeur of France, are fretting under its supposed humiliation, are ready to attack their Emperor for having allowed Germany to unite herself. Frenchmen hate Prussia as they once hated our own nation; and their hatred is not wholly unmingled with fear. They have never forgotten 1815, never quite rid themselves of the belief that an invasion from the North—a successful invasion—is not beyond the limits of possibility. They listened to rumors about the absorption of Holland, the annexation of German Switzerland, an offensive and defensive alliance between Berlin and St. Petersburg, an agreement between Von Bismarck and Riesoli, till they began to feel as men felt when the First Bonaparte was on the throne, as if nothing were too horrible to be beyond the enemy's dreams; but more than all they writhed under the more recent act of the audacious Prussian squire who has dared on French frontiers to make a nation without the permission of France, a transaction in which their Emperor was so glaringly outwitted. Napoleon cannot bear to be always baffled, and the French are in the dangerous mood which the idea that their influence is waning always inspires. If fight she must, what more fitting scape-goat than Prussia? Revenge, domination in Europe, and the recovery of her 'natural boundary,' the Rhine—surely these are objects which cannot fail to fire the heart of every Frenchman. Will she win? France is, without doubt, a great nation, and the French are pre-eminently a military people. She inaugurated a system by which it was estimated that in 1872 she would have, of trained soldiers: First Reserve, 212,373; Army, 417,483; First Reserve, 212,373; Second Reserve, 212,373; National Guard Mobile, 389,986; Total, 1,232,215. Thus the French army will be the largest in the world, and will leave behind it an effective male population of over four millions—all, indeed, over twenty-six, but all drilled, disciplined, and capable, when armed, of instantly assuming their places in a levy en masse. Napoleon can put in the field, on remarkably short notice, an army which, provided with the deadly new Chassepot, or, possibly, the still more deadly revolving instrument of destruction respecting which rumor was not long ago, may well make all Europe tremble. But in Prussia she

will find a foe every way worthy of her. The Hohenzollern is now master for war of the whole German race; and a war with a power organized for battle as Germany now is, with an army of at least three-quarters of a million, and an armed population behind her of forty millions, is an enterprise which no people not alarmed for its existence or wounded in its honor would be willing to undertake. Doubtless Napoleon hopes to find something very different from a united Germany. He hopes that on the collision of his army with that of William I, the Confederation will burst into fragments which no force can ever reunite and readjust. But is it not far more probable that Germany will only be welded into a harder unity by blows from the outside? It will readily be inferred from these remarks that, in our humble opinion at least, the issue would be doubtful, should the struggle be confined to the two nations between whom it originated.

That Music.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—I think your criticism of the music supplied by the band at the French's Picnic undeserved. To my knowledge the performers are all thorough artists and, so far as the number of pieces went, were entirely efficient.

Yours respectfully,

MUSC.

[Our correspondent is right. So far as the number of pieces went, the performers did well; it was the *quantity*, not the *quality* of the music of which we complained.—ED. COLONIST.]

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS that I will not be responsible for any debts incurred by any person or persons whomsoever, without my order in writing; and all persons are requested to send in my claims which they have against me forthwith.

PHILIP SMITH, Government St., July 19.

ENGLISH BAZAAR—Card of Thanks

MRS. JOHNSON BEGS TO RETURN

THREE TONS OF ICE, PUR STEAMER

Enterprise, from New Westminster, on Saturday next, and for Sale at REASONABLE RATES.

J. BOLAND.

WE CALL PARTICULAR ATTENTION to the facilities of our CATTLE SALE YARD, centrally situated in Fort Street, the best accommodation can be found for every class of Stock that may be offered for sale. This Establishment is unsurpassed on the part of the East.

N.B.—Parties desirous of Selling their Stock, Stock in Trade or Furniture, and not wishing the trouble of an Auction Sale, can find a cash buyer by applying as above

American Clock Company.

JUST RECEIVED A CONSIGNMENT OF

CLOCKS and Material, which we offer to the trade at agents' rates.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.

Eureka Broom Factory.

ON HAND 60 DOZ. NOS. 1, 2 & 3 BROOMS

J. P. DAVIES & CO., Agents.

At Private Sale.

SOAP—CASTILLE, IN BARS & CUTS.

Chemical, Olive, Fancy Toilet, and Extra Scented. Also Bitter, Balsom, Scented, and English Straw Paper Bitter and Watch Cases, Jewelry, Handmade Gift-Card Checks, French, Holland, Dining Room, Clocks, Veneer, 4, 5 & 6 Inch Circles, Cut Bitter, Saws, Spoons and Cake Baskets, Revolver, in cases.

J. P. DAVIES & CO., Agents.

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WILL BE HELD ON

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An Efficient Band will be provided.

ADMISSION—Gentlemen, \$1; Boys over 8, half-price; Ladies and Children, free.

TICKETS may be had of the Librarian, at the Institute; of Messrs. Hobson & Co., and of the Members of the Committee.

JULY 17. T. H. LONG, Hon. Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

THE SAILING OF THE STEAMER

"SIR JAMES DOUGLAS" is unavoidably postponed

until Thursday Morning next.

Lands & Works Department, B.C., B. W. PEARCE.

July 16th, 1870.

THE GUELPH SEWING MACHINE.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE RECEIVED

for Steam PEELGAN an assortment of the above Sewing Machines, which they offer to the public at an extraordinary LOW FIGURE.

\$20 and Upwards!

For Cheapness, Simplicity, Efficiency and Durability they cannot be surpassed.

Every Family in British Columbia can afford one. Call and examine them.

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MONEY TO LOAN

AT LOW RATES, ON FIRST CLASS SECURITY.

HOUSES TO LET.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PROPERTIES

for Sale or to Let.

T. ALLSOP,

Agent.

Government Street, near Broughton

200m.

McDONNELL,

TAILOR,

Corner Broughton and Government Sts.

JULY 17.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS RECOMMENDED the above-named business, and has for sale ex ALFAGA, ALPHIA and other late ships.

IRON of all sizes, in Bars, Sheets, Hoops, Plates, &c.

Zinc, Wire, and Tinsmith's Goods, Rivets, Nuts and Washers, Glindstone, Scythes, Hay Forks, Agricultural Implements, Brushware, Frying-pans, Milk-pans and General Hardware.

ALFAGA FELLOWS,

Yates street, Victoria.

JULY 23.

Wire Dish Covers.

A FINE LOT JUST RECEIVED AND

for sale by JNO. S. DEAS,

Fort Street.

200m.

BLANKS—MORTGAGES, ETC.

RECEIPTS, Bound or Loose, done Low,

BRITISH COLONIST Job Printing Office

New Advertisements.

St. Ann's Convent.

THE EXAMINATION OF THE ABOVE INSTITUTION will commence on

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21st,

1870.

AT THE ENGLISH BAZAAR, FORT Street, on SATURDAY the 23rd July, at 7 o'clock.

TICKETS 10/- EACH.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

THE UNDERSIGNED TAKES THIS method of returning thanks for the valuable efforts of the Firemen and Citizens generally to save his property from destruction by fire—efforts which are the more valuable and appreciative because they were voluntarily rendered. Respectfully,

THOS. RUSSELL.

Fort street, Friday morning.

JULY 16.

Card of Thanks.

I BEG TO OFFER MY GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT to the Fire Department and Friends for their praiseworthy exertions in assisting to remove my stock by sea, the vessel the fire this morning. By the exertions I was preserved from heavy loss and expense.

JOHN GOODRICH.

Fort street, Friday morning.

JULY 16.

Card of Thanks.

I DESIRE TO TENDER MY SINCEREST THANKS to the Fire Department, and to Friends and Citizens generally, for the kind and energetic manner in which they assisted in preserving my property from the fire this morning.

ALEX. PHILLIPS.

Friary morning, July 15, 1870.

JULY 16.

Agricultural and Horticultural Society.

A GENERAL MEETING OF SUBSCRIBERS

Will be held at Mr. Birney's Office, Government street, on Tuesday next, the 19th inst., at 2 p.m., for the election of officers and transaction of other important business.

J. CHESTNEY BAILEY,

Hon. Secretary.

JULY 16.

HENRY SHORT,

GUN AND RIFLE MAKER.

And Importer of

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN FIREARMS.

HAS JUST RECEIVED PER STEAM

Active a large well assorted stock of

Fishing Tackle,

Of every description

Government Street, between Johnson and

Pandora.

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ICE TO ARRIVE!

THREE TONS OF ICE, PUR STEAMER

Enterprise, from New Westminster, on Saturday

next, and for Sale at REASONABLE RATES.

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QUEEN CHARLOTTE COAL MINING CO.,

Limited.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT

the General Ordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the abovementioned Company will be held in the Council Chambers, corner of Broad street and Trounce Alley, Victoria, on Wednesday the 20th inst., at 10 o'clock p.m.

H. G. STATION, Secretary.

JULY 16.

JOHN WEILER,

Beehive, Corner Fort and Broad Streets,

HAS JUST RECEIVED EX ALPHA

A well assorted

Stock of Crockery,

COMPRISING—Toilet Sets, Jam Jars, Pudding Bowls, Soap and Scented Cremes, Gold-edged China Cups, Plates, &c.

Glassware,

Finely Chased Cut Decanters and Claret Jugs, Dishes, Wine Glasses, Tumblers, Cutlery Stands, &c., &c.

Silverware

Crooks of Elegant Styles, Tea and Coffee Pots, Taddy Stands, Cream Jugs, Drum Finials, Forks, and Spoons, &c.

Floor Oil Cloth.

From 3-4 yds. to 4 yds. in Width.

Brass Cornices & Poles

ALSO ALWAYS ON HAND.

A Fine Assortment of Wall Paper, Linings for Walls, Mattresses, Carpets, Pictures, Holland, Damasks, Furniture, Lounges, and a general assortment of Upholstery Goods.

ALSO—All sorts of UPHOLSTERY WORK DONE, at Making and Repairing Mattresses, Lounges, Carpets, Sewed and Laid. WALL-PAPER Hung at Reasonable Rates.

JOHN WEILER.

JULY 17.

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TOWN CRIER.

PANDORA STREET.

VICTORIA, B.C.

JULY 19.

PARIS CARTER.

STORE STREET, VICTORIA.

Fireproof Bonded Warehouses.

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JOHN WILSON,

AT HIS OLD STAND,

JAMES BAY BRIDGE.

JULY 16.

NOTICE.

ON AND AFTER THE 1st INST. THE

cost of sending Letters through our Express to any

part of the United States will be Twelve and a half cents

(2½ d.) for Half-Ounce.

Tuesday Morning, July 19, 1870.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED.

July 18, Slip Eagle, Pritchard, San Juan
Sch Surprise, Christiansen, Sanano
Star Enterprise, Swaney, New Westminster
Slip Ruggles, Duke, San Juan

Cleared

July 18—Brix Robt Cowan, Weeks, Honolulu
Slip Ocean Queen, Dick, San Juan

PASSENGERS

Per steamer ALIDA—3 M Starr, Mrs Starr, Miller, Howe,
Mrs Howe, Stroud, Gandy, Mr Rice, Harting, Mans
field, Mrs. Mansfield, Stephen, Decker, Lambert, Kennedy,
Dix, Miss Davis, Packwood, Hood, Eyre, McNair, Burke
11 Indians

EXPORTS.

Per brig ROBERT COVAN, for Honolulu, S. I.—150,400
feet lumber, 21,300 shingles, 28,000 stringles, 20,000
bricks, 500 cgs. gms.—Value \$161,02.

IMPORTS.

Per steamer OLYMPIA—200 sheep, 8 cows, 6 calves, 1 box
and 2 bbls skins 6 cattle, 120 1/4 skns. flour

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer OLYMPIA—Jackson, Murray, J. R. Stewart

COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.—The annual examination of the pupils in attendance at this institution was held yesterday. Amongst those present were the Rev P. Jenkins, Rev Mr Russ, Dr Tolmie, Mr Jessop, Mr Sayers, Capt Denevex, Mr Robson and several ladies. The boys were examined in Mental Philosophy, Latin, French, Mathematics, Grammar, Geography, History, and other subjects, in most of which they acquitted themselves in a manner highly creditable to themselves and satisfactory to the teachers. In several instances the writing showed very marked progress during the year. The Paper Examination was commenced on the 11th and concluded on Friday. In the Principal was assisted by Rev P. Jenkins, Hon Mr. Alston, Mr. Robertson and Mr. Williams. The prizes will be distributed on Wednesday at 2 p.m., when it is hoped there will be a large attendance of those who take an interest in the progress of education.

THE DELEGATION.—Dr Helmcke returned from Ottawa last evening, and was received on the wharf by a large number of political and personal friends. The Doctor, in response to numerous inquiries, said that the Railway was all right; but that the Waggon Road was not likely to be built. It is understood that the Doctor is the bearer of the report of the Delegation to His Excellency the Governor and that the result of their negotiations will be made public in a few days. Enough, however, has been made known through the medium of the correspondence of our Special Delegate to assure British Columbians that their material interests have been conserved and that they may have a responsible Government if they want it. What more could be asked?

FROM PORT TOWNSEND TO OLYMPIA.—The Seattle Intelligencer understands that the Postoffice at Olympia has been designated as an exchange or distributing office for the Sound, instead of Port Townsend. Our contemporary very properly points out the inconvenience which must result from the change, especially as regards the service between this city and the Sound, and generally complains about the irregularity and utter indifference by which the whole mail service on Puget Sound is characterised, a condition of things which it fears will continue until the Territory has a postal agent of its own.

THE PLUMPER PASS MURDER.—Mr. McMillan returned from Plumper Pass yesterday morning, whether he went to investigate the circumstances attending the murder of Robert Clark. The tracks of bare feet were found in the sand near a tree and clump of brush from behind which, it is supposed, the assassin fired the fatal shots. A piece of *The Colonist*, which was apparently used as wadding, was found near the spot. The cabin was despoiled of its most valuable effects. Indians were undoubtedly the perpetrators and it is hoped and believed the liberal reward offered by Government will bring them to justice.

CHEMINUS DISTRICT.—Thos. Askew, of this district, has harvested his wheat and barley and other farmers are harvesting. Considerable inconvenience is experienced in the district from the want of a road, the line of which should be laid out and defined by the Government officers. Disputes are constantly arising between the settlers on this account, and only last week a settler was summoned by the local J. P. for trespassing on another's land because there was no line save through the enclosed land of the complainant.

THE SITUATION IN RED RIVER truly presents a strange phenomenon. According to latest accounts the Dictator, Riel, is virtually a prisoner at the seat of government, while the inhabitants, of all classes, have in it sending forward deputations to meet and welcome the military expedition they were to oppose. Nothing could well be more complete than the way the tables have been turned against Riel. Like one nearer home, he played at nations-making and lost. Riel will have earned the contempt of the civilized world.

ROAD TAX, VICTORIA DISTRICT.—About half a dozen of these cases are put off for four days, the parties having promised settlement; a few could not be found at the old addresses, or had left the jurisdiction of the Court. About twelve cases were heard and having been proved the parties were ordered to pay, with the addition of \$1 costs each. The remainder paid in various amounts from \$2 to \$10 50, before the day of hearing, with the addition of \$1 costs on each summons. Thirteen summonses were not served in time and will come up for hearing on Friday next.

FOR HONOLULU, S. I.—The brig Robert Cowan cleared yesterday. She has a full cargo of lumber, picks and shingles for Honolulu, and the steamer Emma was discharged yesterday to tow her from So. to the harbor into the Straits.

UNDER BONDS.—Wm. Sculley was yesterday put under bonds to keep the peace towards W. C. Bryant, with whom he had a falling out.

PUGET SOUND ITEMS.—The Seattle *Intelligencer* says "Greyhound" was easily beaten in the recent race with "Jack Cade." The two miles were made in 349. "Greyhound" has been taken to Olympia by its owner.... Miners are said to be making \$15 a day on Sultan river..... A party of gentlemen connected with the North Pacific Railroad have come through the Sucqualeum Pass to Seattle and speak well of it.

THE U. S. S. Shubrick arrived at Port Townsend yesterday morning with supplies for the lighthouses. On the passage up the Shubrick fell in with the N. P. T. Company's steamship Moses Taylor in distress, with a broken shaft, and towed her across Columbia River bar to Astoria.

Cows.—The Pound By-law is almost a dead letter. Cows and horses have again undisputed possession of the streets, and not a few handsome gardens have been destroyed.

Query.—Have not the sufferings a good case against the Corporation? Or may they shoot animals found within their enclosures?

A similar one was sent to the King of Prussia.

It is said that a proclamation signed by Napoleon is being prepared for distribution throughout the German States, as soon as the troops cross the frontiers. It assures the people that France wars upon Prussia and not against Germany, and with no idea of conquest.

3 p.m.—Excitement very great; no opposition to the war by any class.

LONDON, July 15.—The excitement arising from the situation was intense all day, business is at a stand and commercial quotations are nominal, after such long hours the markets were generally firmer and American securities steady but nominal.

Bismarck has issued circulars telegraphed to all directions notifying vessels to hasten to ports of shelter.

The French declaration of war is based on the following causes: First, insult offered to Benedetto and its approval by the Prussian Government. Second, refusal of the King to compel the withdrawal of Leopold's name as candidate for the Spanish Throne. Third, the fact that the King persisted in giving the Prince the liberty to accept the Crown.

The Continental masters have attributed all attention to the Lords and Commons and but little business has been done.

VIENNA, July 15.—The Governments of Austria, England, Italy and Russia, are known to have presented at Paris urgent remonstrances against war.

LONDON, July 15.—Disraeli, in the House of Commons, asked the Government for an expression of opinion on the continental disturbances. Gladstone denied that there was any sufficient grounds for trouble, he added that the cause was unfit for discussion; the powers had declined any friendly intervention. He hoped there would be an opportunity for a renewed attempt to mediate which should be eagerly seized.

PARIS, July 16.—The Government asks for a vote of supplies and calls to arms all classes liable to military service. The Corps Legislatif has voted the extreme demands, the last voting negative.

BERLIN, July 15.—The Reichsrat of the North German Confederation met yesterday, the Prussian Diet is already in session and the people of all parts assure the King of their unqualified approval of his dignified and energetic attitude. A resolution was adopted granting an unlimited credit for the purposes of defence.

THE DAIRY, July 15.—Orders have been issued for the mobilization of the army.

PARIS, July 16.—The morning journals say eight days ago Bismarck wrote to Northern to make no concessions to France, yet not to be so imperative, as he wished to prolong the situation if possible to July 20th. The journals argue that Prussia meant war from the beginning and sought only to gain time.

The Emperor leaves Paris to day for the seat of war, Prince Imperial accompanies him.

BERLIN, July 16.—The government is in receipt of telegrams from all quarters requesting that no sacrifices are too great for Prussia to make in this cause. Enthusiasm intense; volunteering extraordinary; every male Prussian is demanding arms from government. Advice sent from Bremen is a port of refuge for Prussian ships.

LIVERPOOL, July 16.—Much excitement is markets; breadstuffs rapidly advancing.

LONDON, July 17.—The neutrality of England will be difficult, perhaps impossible and dishonorable, should Holland and Belgium become involved in the war.

LONDON, July 16.—The Times intimates that the recovery of Alsace and Lorraine, containing modern departments of Moselle, the Meuse and Vosges, and Alsace on upper and lower Rhine, are the real objects of the war on the part of Prussia, and in this lies the sympathy of mankind. The Times hints that English intervention is probable in case of Prussia losing strength.

PARIS, July 17.—In the Corps Legislatif M. Thiers pronounced against the declaration of war. The government of France had received satisfaction from Prussia and war should not be made on her for mere formality.

The following projects of law were brought forward: First, to call the Garde Mobile into active service. Second, to authorize the enlistment of volunteers for the term of war. Third, to issue a demand for a loan of fifty million francs in aid of the army, and sixteen million in aid of the navy. After a short debate all these propositions were carried.

The Emperor is expected to lead the army in person and by a series of rapid movements arrive at the Rhine before Prussia has completed her defences.

Steamers have been despatched to Algeria to bring home the troops now operating against that country.

The journals assert that the French Government, as soon as the result of the vote on the infallibility dogma was known here, ordered the recall of the troops from Rome.

Nothing positive is ascertained concerning the alliance between France and Austria. It is reported again that Austria will remain neutral.

Baron Wetheren, North German Minister, and all members of his embassy, left Paris yesterday for Berlin.

The French squadron in the Mediterranean has been doubled. Vice-Admiral de Liguer is in command.

LYON, July 16.—The English Minister is still endeavoring to get his colleagues here to present a collective request for a congress of European powers to settle the question between France and Prussia.

BERLIN, July 16.—The King arrived here last evening from Ems. The entire journey was a complete ovation.

LONDON, July 15, 3 p.m.—It is reported that the European Powers will unite their forces against the implacable

Prussians.

A CHANCE FOR BARGAINS IN CLOTHING.—A. Gilmore, Yates street, near Government, has commenced to sell off his entire stock of ready-made clothing at cost, to close out that branch of his business, as he intends to confine his attention to MERCHANT TAILORING. Garments of every description made to order in the most fashionable styles at greatly reduced prices.

BY IR. AND TAY IR.—Rosetti's celebrated Odeon, Boston on the Coast. Warranted a pure and healthful beverage.

W. H. BROWN, July 15.—The Senate adjourned yesterday without acting on the nomination of Frelighsby.

UNDER BONDS.—Wm. Sculley was yesterday put under bonds to keep the peace towards W. C. Bryant, with whom he had a falling out.

ENTERED.

The Prussian Minister at Washington received a message last night from Berlin announcing the dispatch of the French fleet to blockade all the Prussian ports. The information was at once communicated to the President and Cabinet.

The news from Europe to-night, official and non-official, leads to the belief that war between Prussia and France is certain.

The opinion of both foreign and home officials is that the war will be brief, but that one decisive battle will be fought and that will be the end of it.

NEW YORK, July 16.—The excitement over the war news continues. An office has already been opened on Broome street and men are being recruited for the Irish friends to aid the French. A number of Germans are about to embark for fatherland to take part in the fray.

London specials to the *Herald* say the declaration of war in France creates intense excitement, and the action of France is generally condemned.

The extra official expression of the Ministry lead to the belief that England will preemptorily forbid the occupation of Belgium by France.

The German steamer which was to have sailed to-day was stopped by telegraph dispatched from Bremen. The German Lloyd is reported closed.

Something sensational may possibly occur in the waters outside of New York harbor for there are in these waters the North German frigates Aeronia, of 400 horse power and 28 guns, and the French frigates Leamara and Iota and the school ship Jean Bart.

EASTERN STATES.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—The Speaker laid before the house dispatches just received from Paris by the associated press, announcing the declaration in the *Paris Constitutional* that in consequence of the insult offered to the French Minister at Berlin, France accepts the war which Prussia offers.

CALIFORNIA.

STOCKTON, July 15.—The war news has advanced the price of wheat. Farmers evince a desire to hold back.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 16.—The British ship Henry Reid has cleared for Bursard hotel where she will load for Cork for orders under her home charter.

OREGON.

PORTLAND, July 17.—The propeller California arrived last night.

LAST NIGHT'S DISPATCHES.

EUROPE.

PARIS, July 16.—Belgium has destroyed all the bridges on the French frontier.

Russia and Prussia are reported to be in full accord.

ROME, July 16.—There is great excitement. A liberal uprising and attack on the city is expected. No fighting yet reported.

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 17.—The number of deaths in this city during the past week was 63. Of these 3 occurred in the county hospital, 15 were still-born or so reported, 1 a suicide and 33 casualties.

HERMOSA, R. H. Lye, William Berger and Chas Haas, old Prussian soldiers, left yesterday for Germany in order to take part in the war.

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LOMBARD STREET and CHARING CROSS, LONDON.
Established 1782.
For Insuring every kind of Property in all parts of the World from Loss or Damage by Fire.

The promptitude and liberality with which its engagements are always met by this Company are well known, and the singularly safe relations with the principal underwriters for the insurance of its establishment, it has paid more than Nine Millions Sterling in discharge of claims for Losses by Fire.

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HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.

The grand secret of attaining happiness is to secure good health, without which little else can be of service. The use of any medicine should be discontinued, and right by appropriate doses of these purifying Pills, which strengthen the system by thoroughly cleansing the blood from all impurities. They balance disordered action, remove the cause of disturbance and restore its normal and natural power to every organ, without inconvenience, pain or any other drawback.

Derangement of the Bowels, Liver and Stomach Complaints.

This medicine is so well known in every part of the world, and the cures effected by its use are so wonderful as to astonish every one. Its pre-eminence as a remedy for bowels and bowels, is no longer a matter of dispute or doubt. In these diseases the best effects of Holloway's wonderful Pills are so permanent and extensive, that the whole system is renovated, the organs of digestion strengthened, and full and easy assimilation procured, so that both physical and moral energies are increased.

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This is generally occasioned by some irregularity of the stomach and bowels, which, if not quickly attended to, frequently terminates in a disease of the heart. These pills will, if given to the stomach, regulate the secretion of mucus, and purify the fluids, etc. etc. dimness of sight and other indications of approaching anæmia, are entirely dissipated by a course of this admirable medicine.

The Female's Best Friend.

For all debilitating disorders peculiar to the human frame, and every contingency perilous to the life of women, young and old, married or single, this mild but speedy remedy is recommended with friendly earnestness. It will cure all functional derangements to which they are subject.

Scrofula and All Skin Diseases.

For all skin diseases, however invenitable, these pills are a sovereign remedy. While the pills act upon the blood, which they purify, the ointment passes through the pores of the skin, and cleanses every stricture, as water passes through a sieve as salt penetrates meat. The ointment, a physician's remedy, is thus rendered admirable.

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No medicine will cure colds of long duration or subside as soon as upon the chest, so quickly as these famous Pills. Even in cases where the first stage of asthma has appeared these pills may be relied on as a certain and never failing remedy, particularly if the ointment be simultaneously well rubbed into the chest and throat night and morning.

Indigestion—Bilious Headache.

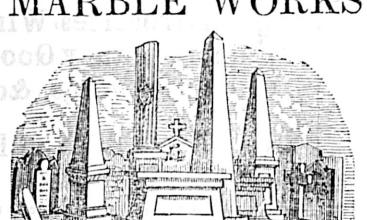
These complaints may sometimes be considered trifling, but it should be borne in mind that by inattention and neglect, they often end most seriously. Give early to a derangement of the pit of the stomach, and you will shortly perceive a change for the better in your digestion, appetite, strength and energy. The improvement, though it may be gradual will be thorough, and lasting.

Holloway's Pills are the best remedy known in the world for the following diseases:

As a—Female Irregular—Scrofula King's Evil—Fever of all kinds—Sore Throat—Stones in the Bladder—Fits—Stone and Gravel—Skin Complaints—Headache—Tonic—Secondary Syrup—Colic—Indigestion—Tic—Dolorous—Constipation—Indigestion—Tumours—Bowels—Jaundice—Ulcers—Lumbago—Worms—Fall of the Rheumatism—Weakness, &c. Retention of Urine whatever can be done.

Gold at the Establishment of PROFESSOR HOLLOWAY, 244 Strand (near Temple Bar), London, and at all respectable Druggists and Dealers in Medicines throughout the civilised world, at the following prices:—1s. 1½d., 2s. 9d. 4s. 6d. 1s. 2½d., and 3s. 6d. each Box.

MARBLE WORKS

A detailed illustration of a large industrial building, likely a marble works, featuring several tall, thin chimneys and a complex structure of windows and arches. The building is surrounded by trees and appears to be a significant industrial facility.

GEO. ROBERTSON,
Sculptor and Modeler,
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Italian & American Marble,
MANUFACTURER OF

MONUMENTS, HEADSTONES,
MANTEL PIECES, CABLE TOPS,
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ALL KINDS OF

Plain and Ornamental Work,
ALL KINDS OF EMBLEMS FOR MONUMENTAL WORK

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All kinds of Ornamental Work done with Neatness and Dispatch.

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TAKEN UPON SHORT NOTICE.

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my 19th inst.

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Are being infringed by importation of Capsules made in con-vention of his rights which necessarily are numerous, BETTS being the original inventor and sole maker in the United Kingdom.

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The Standard LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
GOVERNOR: HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF BUCLEIGH AND QUEEN'S BERRY, K. G.
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PRINCIPAL OFFICES: 3 & 5 George Street, Edinburgh, S. & King William Street, London, 2 Pall Mall, East, 66 Upper Sackville Street, Dublin.
MANAGER AND ACTUARY: WM. THOS. THOMSON, F. R. S. E.
COLONIAL & FOREIGN SECRETARY: D. CLUNIE GREGOR.

Total amount of Invested Funds, £4,095,589 16 2.

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AGENT IN VICTORIA: ROBERT BURNABY, Je15

Large Participation in Profits.

Exemption from liability to Partnership Profits divided every five years.

Fees to Medical Referees paid by the Company.

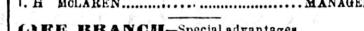
FIRE BRANCH—Prompt and Liberal settlement of Losses.

Loss and damage by explosion of gas made good.

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AGENTS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA: mh20

THE WASHINGTON

A detailed illustration of a person in historical attire, including a hat and coat, riding a dark horse. The person appears to be carrying a saddlebag or a similar item. The background is plain.

DOCTOR LERAS'

(Doctor of Medicine.)

SOLUBLE PHOSPHATE OF IRON.

Clear as spring water and tasteless, has the advantage over all ferruginous preparations of containing iron in a soluble form, which the elements of the blood.

It cures chlorosis, pain in the stomach, difficult digestions, dysmenorrhea, anæmia, general debility and poor ness of the blood, and agrees especially with the most delicate stomachs.

LUNG DISEASES.

Grimault's Syrup of Hypophosphate of Lime.

It is the best and the most rational of all remedies against consumption. Under its influence the cough abates, the night sweats cease, and the patient rapidly recovers health. It gives the same results in case of coughs, catarrhs, hooping coughs and bronchitis.

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NERVOUS HEADACHE and NEURALGIA. GUARANA.

A single powder of this natural vegetable production sufficient to cure instantly the most violent sick headache. It is the most valuable remedy against diarrhoea.

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Interest of Capital only to Stockholders

Cash Assets over - - - \$3,000,000 SECURELY INVESTED.

Over 1200 Members.

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All Policies and Dividends Non-Forfeitable.

Over 7000 Policies issued in 1869.

Total Income during Year, \$1,300,000

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Imperial Insurance COMPANY

Capital, - - - \$10,000,000

INSURES BUILDINGS, WARES, MERCHANDISE, SHIPS, &c., AGAINST LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE.

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Capital and Cash Assets, - \$1,639,928

INSURES CARGOES, TREASURE, COMMISSIONS, and all MARINE and Inland Navigation RISKS.

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INSURES AGAINST DEATH OR DISABILITY BY ACCIDENT, IN SUMS OF \$500 TO \$10,000 AND \$3 TO \$50 WEEKLY INDEMNITY AT AN ANNUAL COST OF \$25 PER \$1000, ACCORDING TO HAZARD.

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INDIAN CIGARETTES

Prepared with the Essence of Cannabis Indica

Wonderful results have been obtained from the use of these cigarettes, by persons suffering from Asthma and other complaints of the respiratory organs.

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Chemists to H. I. H. Prince Napoleon

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